IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

• In paragraph [0001] of the application as filed:

[0001] This application claims the <u>priority</u> benefit of U.S. Provisional <u>Patent</u> Application [[No.]] <u>Number</u> 60/257,651, entitled "System and Method For Rate Controlled Data Transfer Over A Network," filed Dec. 22, 2000; and U.S. Provisional <u>Patent</u> Application [[No.]] <u>Number</u> 60/257,654, entitled "System and Method for Scheduling Data Transfers Through a Network," <u>filed December 22, 2000,</u> the disclosures of which [[is]] <u>are</u> hereby incorporated by reference. This application is related to co-pending U.S. ~~Non-provisional~~ <u>Patent</u> Application ~~No.———/———~~ <u>Number 09/935,016,</u> entitled "System and Method for Scheduling Data Transfers Through a Network," filed <u>August 21, 2001</u> ———— and co-pending U.S. Non-~~Non-provisional~~ <u>Patent</u> Application ~~No.———/————~~ <u>Number 09/852,464,</u> entitled "System and Method for Automated and Optimized File Transfers Among Devices in a Network," filed May 9, 2001.